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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**  
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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: **OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, METHOD OF RECORDING INFORMATION, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM**  
Inventors: 1) Akiko HIRAO, 2) Hisashi YAMADA, 3) Kazuki MATSUMOTO, 4) Hideyuki NISHIZAWA, and 5) Katsutaro ICHIHARA

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 34 pages, including 8 independent claims and 14 claims total.
2. Drawings - 7 sheets of formal drawings containing 12 figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to **KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA**.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-068365, filed on March 13, 2003.
6. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with documents attached.
7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ 770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	14	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	8	-	3	5	x \$86	\$ 430.00
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8. A check for \$1240.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

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Applicants claim the right to priority based on copy of Japanese Patent Application 2003-068365, filed on March 13, 2003.

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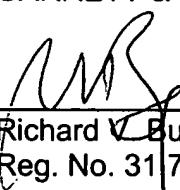
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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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